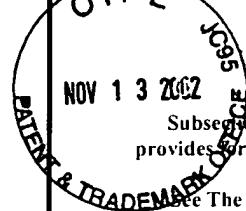


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**REQUEST****FOR****CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

<i>Application Number</i>	09/484,159
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<i>Group Art Unit</i>	2654
<i>Examiner Name</i>	Opsasnick, Michael N.
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	2386.1012-000

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

*NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Red. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.*

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**a.  Previously submitted

- i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on [ ]. (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on [ ].
- iii.  Other -- [ ].

b.  Enclosed

- i.  Amendment/Reply
- ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv.  Other -- [ ].

**2. Miscellaneous**a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of [ ] months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)b.  Other -- [ ].**3. Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR §1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR §1.114 when the RCE is filed.a.  A check is enclosed for the following fees in the total amount of \$740

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Authorization is granted to charge the following fees in the total amount of \$[ ] to Deposit Account No. 08-0380. A copy of this document is enclosed for accounting purposes

- i.  RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii.  Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) 11/14/2002 SLUANG61 00000061 09484159
- iii.  Amendment Fee 01 FC:1801 740.00 OP
- iv.  Other -- [ ].

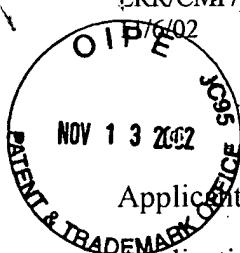
b.  Authorization is hereby granted to charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 08-0380. A copy of this document is enclosed for accounting purposes.**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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Transmitted herewith is Amendment A for filing in the above-identified application.

[ ] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.

[ ] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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